Unrestricted Funds

Through the Community Foundation

Establishing an unrestricted fund with us is a simple and efficient way to address opportunities to enhance the quality of life in the community as they change through time.

How it works

- You make a gift to the Community Foundation — you can give cash, appreciated stocks, real estate or other assets.
- We set up a charitable fund in your name or the name of your family, business or organization that generates grants to meet ever-changing community needs.
- You receive tax benefits in the year your gift is made.
- We handle all the administrative details.
- The fund is prudently invested so earnings can be pooled with other contributions to award grants from the Community Foundation's Community Vision Fund to nonprofit organizations in the Fox Valley region (Calumet, Outagamie, Shawano and Waupaca counties, and the Neenah-Menasha area of Winnebago County). This fund serves as a permanent source of community capital, helping to do good work forever.

  Learn more about the fund and grants awarded at cffoxvalley.org/Community-Vision-Fund.
- Our professional staff, assisted by volunteer committees, selects nonprofit projects and programs that maintain or advance the region's quality of life.

"WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE NEXT COVID ISSUE IS GOING TO BE."

When Dorothy Vander Maazen of Appleton died in 2015, Jeff Billings, attorney with Godfrey and Kahn, helped settle her estate, including using proceeds from the sale of a commercial lot to establish a charitable fund. Billings suggested it be an unrestricted fund, which allows the Foundation's Board to address current community needs. That need was helping nonprofits survive the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The unrestricted nature of the gift was very Dorothy," Billings said.

Meeting this community needs would have pleased her.

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